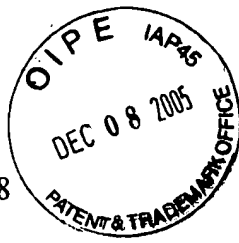


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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the final Office  
Action dated September 8, 2005. A Request for Continued Examination is being concurrently  
filed with this Amendment.

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